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Applicant: HIDETOSHI NISHI ET AL.

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Title: ROLLING METHOD FOR STRIP ROLLING MILL AND STRIP
ROLLING EQUIPMENT

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Box Preliminary Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination and calculation of fees, please
preliminarily amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows: (A marked-up
version of the changes to the specification is attached.)

Page 3, third paragraph after BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE
SEVERAL VIEWS OF THE DRAWING, as follows:

Figs. 3A-3C are respective diagrams showing a relation
between a roll position and an amount of edge drop.